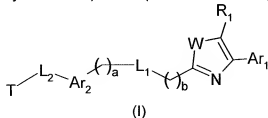


IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1. (Previously Presented) A compound of Formula (I):



wherein

a and b are, independently, equal to 0 wherein the value of 0 represents a direct bond;

W is-N(R₂)-,

wherein

R₂ is

- a) -alkyl;
- b) -L₃-D-G;
- c) -L₃-D-alkyl;
- d) -L₃-D-aryl;
- e) -L₃-D-heteroaryl;
- f) -L₃-D-cycloalkyl;
- g) -L₃-D-heterocyclyl;
- h) -L₃-D-arylene-alkyl;
- i) -L₃-D-alkylene-arylene-alkyl;
- j) -L₃-D-alkylene-aryl;
- k) -L₃-D-alkyl-G;
- l) -L₃-D-aryl-G;
- m) -L₃-D-heteroaryl-G;
- n) -L₃-D-cycloalkyl-G;
- o) -L₃-D-heterocyclyl-G;

- p) - L₃-D-arylene-alkyl-G;
q) - L₃-D-alkylene-arylene-alkyl-G; or
r) - L₃-D-alkylene-aryl-G;

wherein

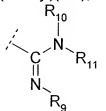
L₃ is an -alkylene, -alkenylene, or alkynylene;

D is a direct bond, -CH₂-, -O-, -N(R₈)-, -C(O)-, -CON(R₈)-, -N(R₈)C(O)-, -N(R₈)CON(R₈)-, -N(R₈)C(O)O-, -OC(O)N(R₈)-, -N(R₈)SO₂-, -SO₂N(R₈)-, -C(O)-O-, -O-C(O)-, -S-, -S(O)-, -S(O₂)-, or -N(R₈)SO₂N(R₈)-, -N=N-, or -N(R₈)-N(R₈)-

wherein

R₈ and R₈ are independently selected from the group consisting of:
-hydrogen, -alkyl, -aryl, -arylene-alkyl, -alkylene-aryl, and -alkylene-arylene-alkyl; and

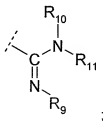
G is hydrogen, -CN, -SO₃H, -P(O)(OH)₂, -P(O)(O-alkyl)(OH), -CO₂H,



-CO₂-alkyl, an acid isostere, -NR₇R₈, or ;

wherein

R₇ and R₈ are independently selected from the group consisting of:
hydrogen, -alkyl, -L₄-E-alkyl, -L₄-E-aryl, -C(O)-alkyl, -C(O)-aryl, -SO₂-alkyl, -SO₂-aryl, and



wherein

R_9 , R_{10} , and R_{11} are independently selected from the group consisting of: -hydrogen, -alkyl, -aryl, -arylene-alkyl, -alkylene-aryl, and -alkylene-arylene-alkyl;

L_4 is a direct bond, -alkylene, -alkenylene, or -alkynylene;

E is a direct bond, $-\text{CH}_2-$, $-\text{O}-$, $-\text{N}(\text{R}_{12})-$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})-$, $-\text{CON}(\text{R}_{12})-$, $-\text{N}(\text{R}_{12})\text{C}(\text{O})-$, $-\text{N}(\text{R}_{12})\text{CON}(\text{R}_{13})-$, $-\text{N}(\text{R}_{12})\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}-$, $-\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{N}(\text{R}_{12})-$, $-\text{N}(\text{R}_{12})\text{SO}_2-$, $-\text{SO}_2\text{N}(\text{R}_{12})-$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})-\text{O}-$, $-\text{O}-\text{C}(\text{O})-$, $-\text{S}-$, $-\text{S}(\text{O})-$, $-\text{S}(\text{O}_2)-$, $-\text{N}(\text{R}_{12})\text{SO}_2\text{N}(\text{R}_{13})-$, $-\text{N}=\text{N}-$, or $-\text{N}(\text{R}_{12})-\text{N}(\text{R}_{13})-$

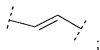
wherein

R_{12} and R_{13} are independently selected from the group consisting of: -hydrogen, -alkyl, -aryl, -arylene-alkyl, -alkylene-aryl, and -alkylene-arylene-alkyl;

R_1 is

- a) -hydrogen;
- b) -fluoro;
- c) -chloro;
- d) -bromo;
- e) -iodo;
- f) -cyano;
- g) -alkyl;
- h) -aryl;
- i) -alkylene-aryl;
- j) -heteroaryl;
- k) -alkylkene-heteroaryl;
- l) -cycloalkyl;
- m) -alkylene-cycloalkyl
- n) - heterocyclyl; or
- o) - alkylene-heterocyclyl;

L₁ is selected from the group consisting of:



wherein

Ar₁ is a phenyl group optionally substituted 1 to 5 times wherein the substituents are independently selected from the group consisting of

- a) -fluoro;
- b) -chloro;
- c) -bromo;
- d) -iodo;
- e) -cyano;
- f) -nitro;
- g) -perfluoroalkyl;
- h) -J-R₁₄;
- i) -alkyl;
- j) -aryl;
- k) -heteroaryl;
- l) -heterocyclyl;
- m) -cycloalkyl;
- n) -L₅-aryl;
- o) -L₅-arylene-aryl;
- p) -L₅-arylene-alkyl;
- q) -arylene-alkyl;
- r) -arylene-arylene-alkyl;
- s) -J-alkyl;
- t) -J-aryl;
- u) -J-alkylene-aryl;
- v) -J-arylene-alkyl;
- w) -J-alkylene-arylene-aryl;
- x) -J-arylene-arylene-aryl;
- y) -J-alkylene-arylene-alkyl;

- z) - L₅-J-alkylene-aryl;
- aa) -arylene-J-alkyl;
- bb) - L₅-J-aryl;
- cc) - L₅-J-heteroaryl;
- dd) - L₅-J-cycloalkyl;
- ee) - L₅-J-heterocyclyl;
- ff) - L₅-J-arylene-alkyl;
- gg) - L₅-J-alkylene-arylene-alkyl;
- hh) - L₅-J-alkyl;
- ii) - L₅-J-R₁₄; and
- jj) -arylene-J-R₁₄;

wherein

L₅ is a direct bond, -alkylene, -alkenylene, or -alkynylene;

J is a direct bond, -CH₂-, -O-, -N(R₁₅)-, -C(O)-, -CON(R₁₅)-, -N(R₁₅)C(O)-, -N(R₁₅)CON(R₁₆)-, -N(R₁₅)C(O)O-, -OC(O)N(R₁₅)-, -N(R₁₅)SO₂-, -SO₂N(R₁₅)-, -C(O)-O-, -O-C(O)-, -S-, -S(O)-, -S(O₂)-, -N(R₁₅)SO₂N(R₁₆)-, -N=N-, or -N(R₁₅)-N(R₁₆)-,

wherein

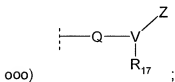
R₁₄, R₁₅, and R₁₆ are independently selected from a group consisting of: -hydrogen, -alkyl, -aryl, -arylene-alkyl, -alkylene-aryl, and -alkylene-arylene-alkyl

Ar₂ is a phenyl group optionally substituted 1 to 5 times wherein the substituents are independently selected from the group consisting of

- a) -fluoro;
- b) -chloro;
- c) -bromo;
- d) -iodo;
- e) -cyano;
- f) -nitro;
- g) -perfluoroalkyl;

- h) $-Q-R_{17}$;
- i) $-alkyl$;
- j) $-aryl$;
- k) $-heteroaryl$;
- l) $-heterocyclyl$;
- m) $-cycloalkyl$;
- n) $-L_6-aryl$;
- o) $-L_6-arylene-aryl$;
- p) $-L_6-arylene-alkyl$;
- q) $-arylene-alkyl$;
- r) $-arylene-arylene-alkyl$;
- s) $-Q-alkyl$;
- t) $-Q-aryl$;
- u) $-Q-alkylene-aryl$;
- v) $-Q-arylene-alkyl$;
- w) $-Q-alkylene-arylene-aryl$;
- x) $-Q-arylene-arylene-aryl$;
- y) $-Q-alkylene-arylene-alkyl$;
- z) $-L_6-Q-alkylene-aryl$;
- aa) $-arylene-Q-alkyl$;
- bb) $-L_6-Q-aryl$;
- cc) $-L_6-Q-heteroaryl$;
- dd) $-L_6-Q-cycloalkyl$;
- ee) $-L_6-Q-heterocyclyl$;
- ff) $-L_6-Q-arylene-alkyl$;
- gg) $-L_6-Q-alkylene-arylene-alkyl$;
- hh) $-L_6-Q-alkyl$;
- ii) $-L_6-Q-alkylene-aryl-R_{17}$;
- jj) $-L_6-Q-alkylene-heteroaryl-R_{17}$;
- kk) $-arylene-Q-alkylene-R_{17}$;
- ll) $-heteroarylene-Q-alkylene-R_{17}$;
- mm) $-L_6-Q-aryl-R_{17}$;
- nn) $-L_6-Q-heteroarylene-R_{17}$;
- oo) $-L_6-Q-heteroaryl-R_{17}$;

pp) $-L_6-Q-cycloalkyl-R_{17}$;
 qq) $-L_6-Q-heterocyclyl-R_{17}$;
 rr) $-L_6-Q-arylene-alkyl-R_{17}$;
 ss) $-L_6-Q-heteroarylene-alkyl-R_{17}$;
 tt) $-L_6-Q-alkylene-arylene-alkyl-R_{17}$;
 uu) $-L_6-Q-alkylene-heteroarylene-alkyl-R_{17}$;
 vv) $-L_6-Q-alkylene-cycloalkylene-alkyl-R_{17}$;
 ww) $-L_6-Q-alkylene-heterocyclylene-alkyl-R_{17}$;
 xx) $-L_6-Q-alkyl-R_{17}$;
 yy) $-L_6-Q-R_{17}$;
 zz) $-arylene-Q-R_{17}$;
 aaa) $-heteroarylene-Q-R_{17}$;
 bbb) $-heterocyclylene-Q-R_{17}$;
 ccc) $-Q-alkylene-R_{17}$;
 ddd) $-Q-arylene-R_{17}$;
 eee) $-Q-heteroarylene-R_{17}$;
 fff) $-Q-alkylene-arylene-R_{17}$;
 ggg) $-Q-alkylene-heteroarylene-R_{17}$;
 hhh) $-Q-heteroarylene-alkylene-R_{17}$;
 iii) $-Q-arylene-alkylene-R_{17}$;
 jjj) $-Q-cycloalkylene-alkylene-R_{17}$;
 kkk) $-Q-heterocyclylene-alkylene-R_{17}$;
 ll) $-Q-alkylene-arylene-alkyl-R_{17}$;
 mmm) $-Q-alkylene-heteroarylene-alkyl-R_{17}$;



wherein

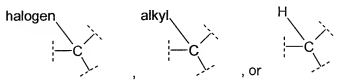
L₆ is a direct bond, -alkylene, -alkenylene, or -alkynylene;

Q is a direct bond, $-\text{CH}_2-$, $-\text{O}-$, $-\text{N}(\text{R}_{18})-$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})-$, $-\text{CON}(\text{R}_{18})-$, $-\text{N}(\text{R}_{18})\text{C}(\text{O})-$, $-\text{N}(\text{R}_{18})\text{CON}(\text{R}_{19})-$, $-\text{N}(\text{R}_{18})\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}-$, $-\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{N}(\text{R}_{18})-$, $-\text{N}(\text{R}_{18})\text{SO}_2-$, $-\text{SO}_2\text{N}(\text{R}_{18})-$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})-\text{O}-$, $-\text{O}-\text{C}(\text{O})-$, $-\text{S}-$, $-\text{S}(\text{O})-$, $-\text{S}(\text{O}_2)-$, $-\text{N}(\text{R}_{18})\text{SO}_2\text{N}(\text{R}_{19})-$, $-\text{N}=\text{N}-$, or $-\text{N}(\text{R}_{18})-\text{N}(\text{R}_{19})-$;

wherein

R_{18} and R_{19} are independently selected from the group consisting of: - hydrogen, -alkyl, -aryl, -arylene-alkyl, -alkylene-aryl, and -alkylene-arylene-alkyl;

V is



Z is hydrogen, -alkylene-aryl, -alkyl, -aryl, -heteroaryl, -heterocyclyl, -cycloalkyl, -alkylene-heteroaryl, or -alkylene-cycloalkyl;

R_{17} is $-\text{SO}_3\text{H}$, $-\text{P}(\text{O})(\text{OH})_2$, $-\text{P}(\text{O})(\text{O-alkyl})(\text{OH})$, $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$, $-\text{CO}_2$ -alkyl, an acid isostere, hydrogen, -alkyl, -aryl, -arylene-alkyl, -alkylene-aryl, or -alkylene-arylene-alkyl

L_2 is a direct bond,

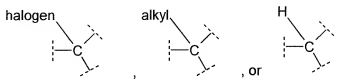
T is a phenyl group optionally substituted 1 to 5 times wherein the substituents are independently selected from the group consisting of

- fluoro;
- chloro;
- bromo;
- iodo;
- cyano;
- nitro;
- perfluoroalkyl;
- U-R_{22} ;
- alkyl;
- aryl;
- heteroaryl;
- heterocyclyl;

- m) -cycloalkyl;
- n) -L₇-aryl;
- o) -L₇-arylene-aryl;
- p) -L₇-arylene-alkyl;
- q) -arylene-alkyl;
- r) -arylene-arylene-alkyl;
- s) -U-alkyl;
- t) -U-aryl;
- u) -U-alkylene-aryl;
- v) -U-arylene-alkyl;
- w) -U-alkylene-arylene-aryl;
- x) -U-arylene-arylene-aryl;
- y) -U-alkylene-arylene-alkyl;
- z) -L₇-U-alkylene-aryl;
- aa) -arylene-U-alkyl;
- bb) -L₇-U-aryl;
- cc) -L₇-U-heteroaryl;
- dd) -L₇-U-cycloalkyl;
- ee) -L₇-U-heterocyclyl;
- ff) -L₇-U-arylene-alkyl;
- gg) -L₇-U-alkylene-arylene-alkyl;
- hh) -L₇-U-alkyl;
- ii) -L₇-U-alkylene-aryl- R₂₂;
- jj) -L₇-U-alkylene-heteroaryl- R₂₂;
- kk) -arylene-U-alkylene- R₂₂;
- ll) -heteroarylene-U-alkylene- R₂₂;
- mm) -L₇-U-aryl- R₂₂;
- nn) -L₇-U-heteroarylene- R₂₂;
- oo) -L₇-U-heteroaryl- R₂₂;
- pp) -L₇-U-cycloalkyl- R₂₂;
- qq) -L₇-U-heterocyclyl- R₂₂;
- rr) -L₇-U-arylene-alkyl- R₂₂;
- ss) -L₇-U-heteroarylene-alkyl- R₂₂;
- tt) -L₇-U-alkylene-arylene-alkyl- R₂₂;

R_{23} and R_{24} are independently selected from the group consisting of: -hydrogen, -alkyl, -aryl, -arylene-alkyl, -alkylene-aryl, and -alkylene-arylene-alkyl;

X is



Y is hydrogen, -alkylene-aryl, -alkyl, -aryl, -heteroaryl, -heterocyclyl, -cycloalkyl, -alkylene-heteroaryl, or -alkylene-cycloalkyl;

R_{22} is $-SO_3H$, $-P(O)(OH)_2$, $-P(O)(O-alkyl)(OH)$, $-CO_2H$, $-CO_2-alkyl$, an acid isostere, -hydrogen, -alkyl, -aryl, -arylene-alkyl, -alkylene-aryl, or -alkylene-arylene-alkyl; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, solvate, or prodrug thereof.

2. (Previously Presented) The compound of Formula (I) according to claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, wherein W is $-N(R_2)-$, wherein R_2 is alkyl, or $-L_3-D-alkylene-aryl$, wherein L_3 is alkylene, and D is $-CO(NR_5)-$, wherein R_5 is hydrogen.

3. (Previously Presented) The compound of Formula (I) according to claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, wherein R_1 is hydrogen or aryl.

4. (Previously Presented) The compound of Formula (I) according to claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, wherein R_1 is hydrogen.

5-6. (Canceled)

7. (Previously Presented) The compound of Formula (I) according to claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, wherein Ar_1 is a phenyl group having 1 to 5 substituents, wherein the substituents are independently selected from the group consisting of:

- a) -fluoro;
- b) -chloro;
- c) -bromo;

- d) -iodo;
- e) -cyano;
- f) -nitro;
- g) -perfluoroalkyl;
- h) -J-R₁₄;
- i) -alkyl;
- j) -aryl;
- k) -heteroaryl;
- l) -heterocyclyl;
- m) -cycloalkyl;
- n) -L₅-aryl;
- o) - L₅-arylene-aryl;
- p) - L₅-arylene-alkyl;
- q) -arylene-alkyl;
- r) -arylene-arylene-alkyl;
- s) -J-alkyl;
- t) -J-aryl;
- u) -J-alkylene-aryl;
- v) -J-arylene-alkyl;
- w) -J-alkylene-arylene-aryl;
- x) -J-arylene-arylene-aryl;
- y) -J-alkylene-arylene-alkyl;
- z) - L₅-J-alkylene-aryl;
- aa) -arylene-J-alkyl;
- bb) - L₅-J-aryl;
- cc) - L₅-J-heteroaryl;
- dd) - L₅-J-cycloalkyl;
- ee) - L₅-J-heterocyclyl;
- ff) - L₅-J-arylene-alkyl;
- gg) - L₅-J-alkylene-arylene-alkyl;
- hh) - L₅-J-alkyl;
- ii) - L₅-J-R₁₄; and
- jj) -arylene-J-R₁₄;

wherein

L_5 is a direct bond, -alkylene, -alkenylene, or -alkynylene;

J is a direct bond, $-CH_2-$, $-O-$, $-N(R_{15})-$, $-C(O)-$, $-CON(R_{15})-$, $-N(R_{15})C(O)-$,
 $-N(R_{15})CON(R_{16})-$, $-N(R_{15})C(O)O-$, $-OC(O)N(R_{15})-$, $-N(R_{15})SO_2-$, $-$
 $SO_2N(R_{15})-$, $-C(O)O-$, $-O-C(O)-$, $-S-$, $-S(O)-$, $-S(O_2)-$, $-N(R_{15})SO_2N(R_{16})-$, $-$
 $N=N-$, or $-N(R_{15})N(R_{16})-$,

wherein

R_{14} , R_{15} , and R_{16} are independently selected from a group consisting
of: -hydrogen, -alkyl, -aryl, -arylene-alkyl, -alkylene-aryl, and
-alkylene-arylene-alkyl.

8. (Previously Presented) The compound of Formula (I) according to claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, wherein Ar_1 is a phenyl group optionally substituted 1 to 5 times, wherein the substituents are independently selected from the group consisting of:

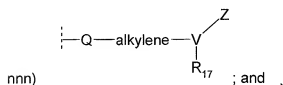
- a) -fluoro;
- b) -chloro;
- c) -bromo;
- d) -iodo;
- e) -cyano;
- f) -nitro; and
- g) -aryl.

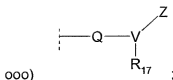
9. (Previously Presented) The compound of Formula (I) according to claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, wherein Ar_1 is a phenyl group substituted 1 to 5 times, wherein the substituents are selected from the group consisting of: -chloro and -fluoro.

10. (Previously Presented) The compound of Formula (I) according to claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, wherein Ar_2 is a phenylene group having 1 to 5 substituents, wherein the substituents are independently selected from the group consisting of:

- a) -fluoro;
- b) -chloro;
- c) -bromo;
- d) -iodo;
- e) -cyano;
- f) -nitro;
- g) -perfluoroalkyl;
- h) -Q-R₁₇;
- i) -alkyl;
- j) -aryl;
- k) -heteroaryl;
- l) -heterocyclyl;
- m) -cycloalkyl;
- n) -L₈-aryl;
- o) -L₈-arylene-aryl;
- p) -L₈-arylene-alkyl;
- q) -arylene-alkyl;
- r) -arylene-arylene-alkyl;
- s) -Q-alkyl;
- t) -Q-aryl;
- u) -Q-alkylene-aryl;
- v) -Q-arylene-alkyl;
- w) -Q-alkylene-arylene-aryl;
- x) -Q-arylene-arylene-aryl;
- y) -Q-alkylene-arylene-alkyl;
- z) -L₈-Q-alkylene-aryl;
- aa) -arylene-Q-alkyl;
- bb) -L₈-Q-aryl;
- cc) -L₈-Q-heteroaryl;
- dd) -L₈-Q-cycloalkyl;
- ee) -L₈-Q-heterocyclyl;
- ff) -L₈-Q-arylene-alkyl;
- gg) -L₈-Q-alkylene-arylene-alkyl;
- hh) -L₈-Q-alkyl;

- ii) $-L_6-Q-alkylene-aryl-R_{17}$;
- jj) $-L_6-Q-alkylene-heteroaryl-R_{17}$;
- kk) $-aryl-Q-alkylene-R_{17}$;
- ll) $-heteroaryl-Q-alkylene-R_{17}$;
- mm) $-L_6-Q-aryl-R_{17}$;
- nn) $-L_6-Q-heteroaryl-R_{17}$;
- oo) $-L_6-Q-heteroaryl-R_{17}$;
- pp) $-L_6-Q-cycloalkyl-R_{17}$;
- qq) $-L_6-Q-heterocyclyl-R_{17}$;
- rr) $-L_6-Q-aryl-alkyl-R_{17}$;
- ss) $-L_6-Q-heteroaryl-alkyl-R_{17}$;
- tt) $-L_6-Q-alkylene-aryl-alkyl-R_{17}$;
- uu) $-L_6-Q-alkylene-heteroaryl-alkyl-R_{17}$;
- vv) $-L_6-Q-alkylene-cycloalkylene-alkyl-R_{17}$;
- ww) $-L_6-Q-alkylene-heterocyclylene-alkyl-R_{17}$;
- xx) $-L_6-Q-alkyl-R_{17}$;
- yy) $-L_6-Q-R_{17}$;
- zz) $-aryl-Q-R_{17}$;
- aaa) $-heteroaryl-Q-R_{17}$;
- bbb) $-heterocyclylene-Q-R_{17}$;
- ccc) $-Q-alkylene-R_{17}$;
- ddd) $-Q-aryl-R_{17}$;
- eee) $-Q-heteroaryl-R_{17}$;
- fff) $-Q-alkylene-aryl-R_{17}$;
- ggg) $-Q-alkylene-heteroaryl-R_{17}$;
- hhh) $-Q-heteroaryl-alkylene-R_{17}$;
- iii) $-Q-aryl-alkylene-R_{17}$;
- jjj) $-Q-cycloalkylene-alkylene-R_{17}$;
- kkk) $-Q-heterocyclylene-alkylene-R_{17}$;
- lll) $-Q-alkylene-aryl-alkyl-R_{17}$;
- mmm) $-Q-alkylene-heteroaryl-alkyl-R_{17}$;





wherein

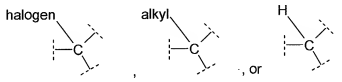
L_6 is a direct bond, -alkylene, -alkenylene, or -alkynylene;

Q is a direct bond, $-\text{CH}_2-$, $-\text{O}-$, $-\text{N}(\text{R}_{18})-$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})-$, $-\text{CON}(\text{R}_{18})-$, $-\text{N}(\text{R}_{18})\text{C}(\text{O})-$, $-\text{N}(\text{R}_{18})\text{CON}(\text{R}_{19})-$, $-\text{N}(\text{R}_{18})\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}-$, $-\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{N}(\text{R}_{18})-$, $-\text{N}(\text{R}_{18})\text{SO}_2-$, $-\text{SO}_2\text{N}(\text{R}_{18})-$, $-\text{C}(\text{O})\text{O}-$, $-\text{O}-\text{C}(\text{O})-$, $-\text{S}-$, $-\text{S}(\text{O})-$, $-\text{S}(\text{O}_2)-$, $-\text{N}(\text{R}_{18})\text{SO}_2\text{N}(\text{R}_{19})-$, $-\text{N}=\text{N}-$, or $-\text{N}(\text{R}_{18})-\text{N}(\text{R}_{19})-$;

wherein

R_{18} and R_{19} are independently selected from the group consisting of: -hydrogen, -alkyl, -aryl, -arylene-alkyl, -alkylene-aryl, and -alkylene-arylene-alkyl;

V is



Z is hydrogen, -alkylene-aryl, -alkyl, -aryl, -heteroaryl, -heterocyclyl, -cycloalkyl, -alkylene-heteroaryl, or -alkylene-cycloalkyl;

R_{17} is $-\text{SO}_3\text{H}$, $-\text{P}(\text{O})(\text{OH})_2$, $-\text{P}(\text{O})(\text{O-alkyl})(\text{OH})$, $-\text{CO}_2\text{H}$, $-\text{CO}_2$ -alkyl, an acid isostere, hydrogen, -alkyl, -aryl, -arylene-alkyl, -alkylene-aryl, or -alkylene-arylene-alkyl.

11. (Previously Presented) The compound of Formula (I) according to claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, wherein Ar_2 is a phenyl group optionally substituted 1 to 5 times, wherein the substituents are independently selected from the group consisting of:

- a) -fluoro;
- b) -chloro;
- c) -bromo;

- d) -iodo;
- e) -Q-R₁₇;
- f) -alkyl;
- g) -aryl;
- h) -arylene-alkyl;
- i) -Q-alkyl; and
- j) -arylene-Q-alkyl;

wherein

Q is -CH₂-, -O-, -C(O)-, or -C(O)-O-, and

R₁₇ is: -hydrogen, -alkyl, -aryl, -CO₂H, or an acid isostere.

12. (Previously Presented) The compound of Formula (I) according to claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, wherein Ar₂ is a phenyl group substituted 1 to 5 times, wherein the substituents are independently selected from the group consisting of:

- a) -fluoro;
- b) -chloro;
- c) -bromo;
- d) -iodo;
- e) -Q-R₁₇;
- f) -alkyl;
- g) -phenyl;
- h) -phenylene-alkyl;
- i) -Q-alkyl; and
- j) -phenylene-Q-alkyl;

wherein

Q is: -CH₂-, -O-, -C(O)-, or -C(O)-O-, and

R₁₇ is: -hydrogen, -alkyl, -phenyl, or -CO₂H.

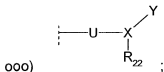
13-15. (Canceled)

16. (Previously Presented) The compound of Formula (I) according to claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, wherein T is an aryl group

having 1 to 5 substituents, wherein the substituents are independently selected from the group consisting of:

- a) -fluoro;
- b) -chloro;
- c) -bromo;
- d) -iodo;
- e) -cyano;
- f) -nitro;
- g) -perfluoroalkyl;
- h) -U-R₂₂;
- i) -alkyl;
- j) -aryl;
- k) -heteroaryl;
- l) -heterocyclyl;
- m) -cycloalkyl;
- n) -L₇-aryl;
- o) -L₇-arylene-aryl;
- p) -L₇-arylene-alkyl;
- q) -arylene-alkyl;
- r) -arylene-arylene-alkyl;
- s) -U-alkyl;
- t) -U-aryl;
- u) -U-alkylene-aryl;
- v) -U-arylene-alkyl;
- w) -U-alkylene-arylene-aryl;
- x) -U-arylene-arylene-aryl;
- y) -U-alkylene-arylene-alkyl;
- z) -L₇-U-alkylene-aryl;
- aa) -arylene-U-alkyl;
- bb) -L₇-U-aryl;
- cc) -L₇-U-heteroaryl;
- dd) -L₇-U-cycloalkyl;
- ee) -L₇-U-heterocyclyl;

- ff) -L₇-U-arylene-alkyl;
- gg) -L₇-U-alkylene-arylene-alkyl;
- hh) -L₇-U-alkyl;
- ii) -L₇-U-alkylene-aryl- R₂₂;
- jj) -L₇-U-alkylene-heteroaryl- R₂₂;
- kk) -arylene-U-alkylene- R₂₂;
- ll) -heteroarylene-U-alkylene- R₂₂;
- mm) -L₇-U-aryl- R₂₂;
- nn) -L₇-U-heteroarylene- R₂₂;
- oo) -L₇-U-heteroaryl- R₂₂;
- pp) -L₇-U-cycloalkyl- R₂₂;
- qq) -L₇-U-heterocyclyl- R₂₂;
- rr) -L₇-U-arylene-alkyl- R₂₂;
- ss) -L₇-U-heteroarylene-alkyl- R₂₂;
- tt) -L₇-U-alkylene-arylene-alkyl- R₂₂;
- uu) -L₇-U-alkylene-heteroarylene-alkyl- R₂₂;
- vv) -L₇-Q-alkylene-cycloalkylene-alkyl-R₂₂;
- ww) -L₇-Q-alkylene-heterocyclylene-alkyl-R₂₂;
- xx) -L₇-U-alkyl- R₂₂;
- yy) -L₇-U- R₂₂;
- zz) -arylene-U- R₂₂;
- aaa) -heteroarylene-U- R₂₂;
- bbb) -heterocyclylene-U- R₂₂;
- ccc) -U-alkylene- R₂₂;
- ddd) -U-arylene- R₂₂;
- eee) -U-heteroarylene- R₂₂;
- fff) -U-alkylene-arylene- R₂₂;
- ggg) -U-alkylene-heteroarylene- R₂₂;
- hhh) -U-heteroarylene-alkylene- R₂₂;
- iii) -U-arylene-alkylene- R₂₂;
- jjj) -U-cycloalkylene-alkylene- R₂₂;
- kkk) -U-heterocyclylene-alkylene- R₂₂;
- lll) -U-alkylene-arylene-alkyl- R₂₂;
- mmm) -U-alkylene-heteroarylene-alkyl- R₂₂;



wherein

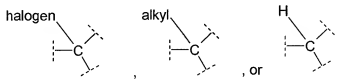
L_7 is a direct bond, -alkylene, -alkenylene, or -alkynylene;

U is a direct bond, -CH₂-, -O-, -N(R₂₃)-, -C(O)-, -CON(R₂₃)-, -N(R₂₃)C(O)-, -N(R₂₃)CON(R₂₄)-, -N(R₂₃)C(O)O-, -OC(O)N(R₂₃)-, -N(R₂₃)SO₂-, -SO₂N(R₂₃)-, -C(O)-O-, -O-C(O)-, -S-, -S(O)-, -S(O₂)-, -N(R₂₃)SO₂N(R₂₄)-, -N=N-, or -N(R₂₃)-N(R₂₄)-;

wherein

R₂₃ and R₂₄ are independently selected from the group consisting of: -hydrogen, -alkyl, -aryl, -arylene-alkyl, -alkylene-aryl, and -alkylene-arylene-alkyl;

X is



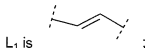
Y is hydrogen, -alkylene-aryl, -alkyl, -aryl, -heteroaryl, -heterocyclyl, -cycloalkyl, -alkylene-heteroaryl, or -alkylene-cycloalkyl;

R₂₂ is -SO₃H, -P(O)(OH)₂, -P(O)(O-alkyl)(OH), -CO₂H, -CO₂-alkyl, an acid isostere, -hydrogen, -alkyl, -aryl, -arylene-alkyl, -alkylene-aryl, or -alkylene-arylene-alkyl.

17. (Previously Presented) The compound of Formula (I) according to claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, wherein T is an aryl group substituted by -U-alkylene-R₂₂, wherein U is -O- or a direct bond, and R₂₂ is -CO₂H or an acid isostere.

18. (Previously Presented) The compound of Formula (I) according to claim 16 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, wherein

a and b are equal to zero;



Ar₂ is a phenylene group optionally substituted 1 time with a group consisting of:
-Q-alkyl, wherein Q is -O-;

L₂ is a direct bond; and

T is an aryl group substituted with at least one substituent selected from the group consisting of:

- a) -U-R₂₂;
- b) -U-alkylene-arylene-R₂₂;
- c) -U-alkylene-R₂₂;
- d) -U-arylene-R₂₂;
- e) -U-arylene-R₂₂ wherein the arylene is substituted with at least one of a halogen, methanesulfonylamino, or trifluoromethanesulfonylamino group;
- f) -U-arylene wherein the arylene is substituted with at least one trifluoromethanesulfonylamino group;
- g) -R₂₂; and
- h) -halogen;

wherein R₂₂ is -CO₂H or an acid isotere.

19. (Previously Presented) The compound of Formula (I) according to claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof,

wherein

a and b are equal to zero;

R₁ is hydrogen;

W is -N(R₂)-, wherein R₂ is alkyl; and

Ar₁ is phenyl substituted 2 times wherein the substituent groups are -chloro.

20. (Previously Presented) The compound of Formula (I) according to claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, wherein W is -N(R₂)-, wherein

R₂ is -alkylene-arylene-G,

wherein

G is -CN, -SO₃H, -P(O)(OH)₂, -P(O)(O-alkyl)(OH), -CO₂H, -CO₂-alkyl, or an acid isostere.

21. (Previously Presented) The compound of Formula (I) according to claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, wherein a and b are equal to 0, and T, L₂, Ar₂, and L₁ together form a group selected from a group consisting of:

(E)-2-(1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)vinyl,
(E)-2-(4'-methoxy-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)vinyl,
(E)-2-(3'-methoxy-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)vinyl,
(E)-2-(4'-carboxymethoxy-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)vinyl,
(E)-2-(4'-(3-methoxycarbonyl-1-propyloxy)-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)vinyl,
(E)-2-(4'-(3-carboxy-1-propyloxy)-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)vinyl,
(E)-2-(4'-phenoxy-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)vinyl, and
(E)-2-(4'-benzyloxy-1,1'-biphenyl-4-yl)vinyl.

22. (Previously Presented) The compound of Formula (I) according to claim 1 or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof, wherein Ar₁ is: 2,4-dichlorophenyl.

23. (Previously Presented) The compound of Formula (I) according to claim 1, where the compound of Formula (I) is:

4-(4'-[2-[4-(2,4-dichloro-phenyl)-1-ethyl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-(E)-vinyl]-3-fluoro-biphenyl-4-yloxy)methyl-benzoic acid;

4-[4'-(2-[4-(2,4-dichloro-phenyl)-1-[(1-naphthalen-1-yl-ethylcarbamoyl)-methyl]1H-imidazol-2-yl]-(E)-vinyl)-biphenyl-4-yloxy]-butyric acid;

4-(4'-(2-[4-(2,4-dichloro-phenyl)-1-ethyl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-(E)-vinyl)-biphenyl-4-yloxy)-butyric acid;

5-(4'-(2-[4-(2,4-dichloro-phenyl)-1-methyl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-(E)-vinyl)-biphenyl-4-yloxy)-pentanoic acid

2-bromo-4-(4'-(2-[4-(2,4-dichloro-phenyl)-1-methyl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-(E)-vinyl)-biphenyl-4-yloxy)-benzoic acid;

4-(4'-(2-[4-(2,4-dichloro-phenyl)-1-ethyl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-(E)-vinyl)-biphenyl-4-yloxymethyl)-benzoic acid;

4-(4'-(2-[4-(2,4-dichloro-phenyl)-1-ethyl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-(E)-vinyl)-biphenyl-4-yloxy)-benzoic acid;

2-bromo-4-(4'-(2-[4-(2,4-dichloro-phenyl)-1-ethyl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-(E)-vinyl)-biphenyl-4-yloxy)-benzoic acid;

4-(4'-(2-[4-(2,4-dichloro-phenyl)-1-ethyl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-(E)-vinyl)-biphenyl-4-yloxy)-3-methanesulfonylamino-benzoic acid;

4-(4'-(2-[4-(2,4-dichloro-phenyl)-1-ethyl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-(E)-vinyl)-biphenyl-4-yloxy)-3-trifluoromethanesulfonyl-amino-benzoic acid;

5-(4'-(2-[4-(2,4-dichloro-phenyl)-1-ethyl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-(E)-vinyl)-biphenyl-4-yloxy)-2-methanesulfonylamino-benzoic acid;

5-(4'-(2-[4-(2,4-dichloro-phenyl)-1-ethyl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-(E)-vinyl)-biphenyl-4-yloxy)-2-trifluoromethane-sulfonylamino-benzoic acid; or

4-(4'-(2-[4-(2,4-Dichloro-phenyl)-1-ethyl-1H-imidazol-2-yl]-(E)-vinyl)-biphenyl-4-yloxy)-butyric acid 2,2-dimethyl-propionyloxymethyl ester,

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof.

24. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound as claimed in claim 1.

25. (Previously Presented) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 24, wherein said pharmaceutical composition is a topical formulation.

26-63. (Canceled).